

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

2. Although the Examiner has already indicated that claims 1 and 6-8 include allowable subject matter, the Examiner has now rejected claims 1 and 6-8 under 35 U.S.C. 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter, specifically for lacking an output producing step.

Claim 1 has been amended to include an output producing step as requested by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully submit that amended claim 1 provides a practical application that produces a useful, tangible and concrete result and therefore falls within statutory subject matter. With claim 1 now in statutory form, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1 and 6-8 are now in allowable form.

3. In Applicants' response of January 18, 2006, Claims 9-33 were canceled merely for convenience in order to place the application in condition for allowance. Applicants are taking this opportunity to re-introduce a similar set of claims that are commensurate with allowable claims 1 and 6-8 as amended above. Specifically, Applicants have added new claims 34-46, as follows:

New claim 34 corresponds to original claim 9, but amended to comport with amended claim 1. New claims 35-37 correspond to original claims 14-16.

New claim 38 corresponds to original claim 17, but amended to comport with amended claim 1. New claims 39-41 correspond to original claims 22-24.

New claim 42 corresponds to original claim 25, but amended to comport with amended claim 1. New claims 43-46 correspond to original claims 30-33.

Applicants respectfully submit that new claims 34-46 (which are essentially original claims 9, 14-17, 22-25, and 30-33 amended to include all of the limitations of amended claim 1) are in allowable form.

4. The specification has been amended to correct a minor typographical error discovered during a routine review of the specification.
5. All pending claims are believed to be in a form suitable for allowance. Therefore, the application is believed to be in a condition for allowance. The Applicant respectfully requests early allowance of the application. The Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned, Jeffrey T. Klayman, if it will assist further examination of this application.
6. The applicants do not believe any extension of time is required for timely consideration of this response. In the event that an extension has been overlooked, this conditional petition of extension is hereby submitted, and Applicants request that deposit account number 19-4972 be charged for any fees that may be required for the timely consideration of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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